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H.R. No. 114

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Wilton A. Lanning Jr. is being presented with a Waco
2 Business League Lifetime Achievement Award on January 31, 2017; and

3 WHEREAS, Established in 2009, this award recognizes
4 individuals who embody exemplary values and who have made a
5 substantial impact on the community through their generous service;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, A native of Waco, Mr. Lanning graduated from Baylor
8 University and went on to serve as president and CEO of Padgitt's, a
9 local institution that first opened in 1867; during his 40-year
10 tenure, he transformed the business into a high-end electronics
11 shop with a reputation for outstanding customer service; and

12 WHEREAS, Deeply engaged in his community, Mr. Lanning has
13 served as executive director of the Waco Business League for more
14 than a decade; he is also the founding president of the Dr Pepper
15 Museum and Free Enterprise Institute as well as a member of the Free
16 Enterprise Committee; moreover, he has chaired the Greater Waco
17 Chamber of Commerce and the Waco Convention & Visitors Bureau
18 Advisory Board and has held numerous board memberships and
19 leadership positions with other local financial, medical,
20 educational, and cultural organizations; and

21 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has garnered such impressive
22 accolades as the Waco Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished
23 Service Award and inclusion in the Rotary International District
24 Hall of Fame; in all his endeavors, he enjoys the love and support

1 of a fine family that includes his wife, LaNell, and his sons, Bill
2 and Robert; and

3 WHEREAS, Wilton Lanning has set an inspiring example of
4 professional leadership and civic engagement, and he may indeed
5 take great pride in his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Wilton A. Lanning Jr. on his
8 receipt of the Waco Business League Lifetime Achievement Award and
9 extend to him sincere appreciation for his many contributions to
10 the Waco community; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Mr. Lanning as an expression of high regard by the
13 Texas House of Representatives.